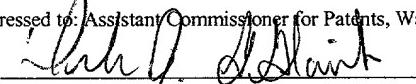


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COMPRISING THE ENHANCER AND  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination on the merits, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment for the above-captioned patent application before fees are calculated.

**In the specification**

At page 1, under "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" please amend the paragraph containing line 13, as follows:

(Amended)

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*In the claims*

Please cancel claims 15-30, 33-53, 55-68, 70, 72, 74 and 76-83, without prejudice.

**REMARKS**

The present amendment is filed to correct the ““CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS” section. Claims 15-30, 33-53, 55-68, 70, 72, 74 and 76-83 have been cancelled, without prejudice. With respect to all amendments, Applicants have not dedicated or abandoned any subject matter and reserve the right to pursue prosecution of any presently excluded claim embodiments in future related applications.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the present amendment.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment with additions underlined and deletions bracketed. The attached page is captioned **“VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE”**.

**CONCLUSION**

In the unlikely event that the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Assistant Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing

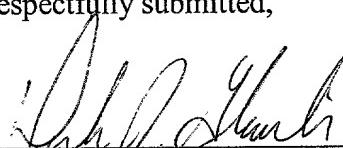
docket no. 348022000901. However, the Assistant Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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